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SUBJECT: SOACO

1. GENERALLY KNOWLEDGABLE U.S. BUSINESS SOURCE REPORTS

NEW COMPANY, SOACO, FORMED IN GABON TO HANDLE IMPLEMENTA-
TION OF MAJOR PROJECTS. OWNERSHIP IS REPORTEDLY 78 PER
CENT GABONESE, INCLUDING 36 PER CENT BY PRESIDENT BONGO,
AND PARTICIPATION BY MINISTERS ANCHOUEY, OKINDA, MAYILA
M,BOUY-BOUTZIT. REMAINING 22 PER CENT HELD BY UNSPECIFIED
FRENCH INTERESTS. DIRECTOR IS SAID TO BE FRENCHMAN
NAMED CHARTIER, ALLEGED TO HAVE A NONE TOO FAVORABLE
REPUTATION.

2. COMMERCE/MEPD WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE EMBASSY COMMENTS
RE ABOVE REPORT. IF REPORT IS TRUE, IT WOULD BE VERY
IMPORTANT TO HAVE WHATEVER AUTHORITATIVE INFORMATION
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EMBASSY CAN OBTAIN ABOUT SOACO -- PARTICULARLY IDENTIFICA-
TION AND EVALUATION OF PRINCIPALS, SOACO ROLE IN EXISTING
AND FUTURE GABONESE PROJECTS, IMPLICATIONS FOR U.S. FIRMS
SEEKING CONTRACTS FOR THESE PROJECTS. VANCE

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